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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **IMPROVED BACTERIAL OXIDATION OF SULPHIDE ORES AND CONCENTRATES**, the specification of which was filed on December 15, 2003 as United States Application Serial Number 10/734,581.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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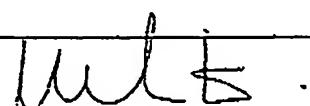
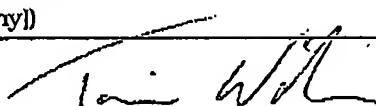
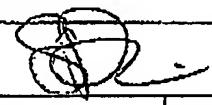
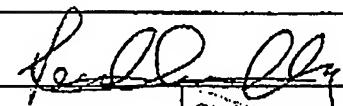
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